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COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)

Docket No.
15344

JUN 10 2005
In Re Application Of: Tsukasa Kobayashi, et al.

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| Application No. 10/091,894 | Filing Date March 6, 2002 | Examiner Bradford C. Pantuck | Customer No. | Group Art Unit 3731 | Confirmation No. 6289 |
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Invention: APPARATUS FOR LIGATING LIVING TISSUES

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 12/13/2004 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: 3/13/2005 until: 6/13/2005

Date

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR | NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 23 - | 23 = | 0 | x \$50.00 | \$0.00 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 4 - | 4 = | 0 | x \$200.00 | \$0.00 |
| FEE FOR AMENDMENT | | | | | \$0.00 |
| FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME | | | | | \$1,020.00 |
| TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME | | | | | \$1,020.00 |

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1013/SSMP

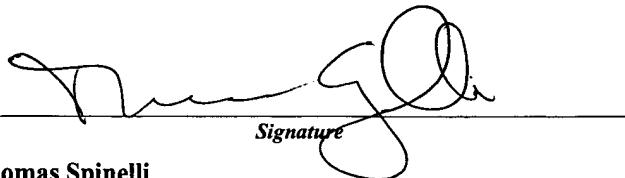
Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-1013/SSMP .

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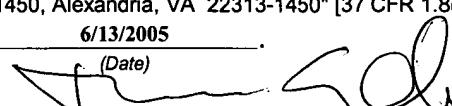
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